GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

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EASTERN COALFIELDS LIMITED
MAHBOOB ZAHEDI

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production in ECL increased to 28.02 Million Tonnes in 2000-2001 against 27.16 Million Tonnes in 1998-99;

(b) whether there is much probability of improved lifting of coal in the Underground Mines;

(c) whether its productivity can be improved with the present strength of workman and machinery; and

(d) the capacity utilisation in underground Mines at present?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL & MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been reported by Coal India Limitedthat there is scope for improvement of production from Underground Mines of Eastern Coalfields Limited(ECL).

(c) Productivity of ECL can be improved with introduction of suitable mechanisation and re-deployment of manpower. .

(d) System capacity utilisation of Underground Mines of ECL in 2001-2002 has been about 75%(Provisional).